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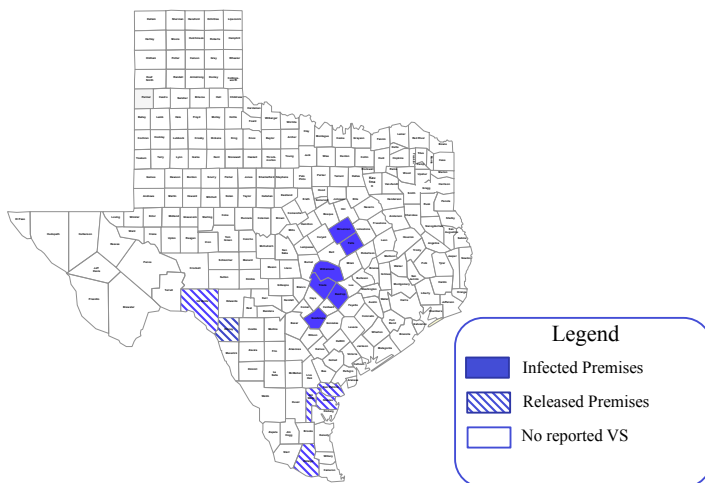
Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC)

Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) in Texas Update

September 3, 2014

Since the August 27 update, the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) received confirmation of one new case of Vesicular Stomatitis (VS) in horses. The premises is located 3.5 miles southeast of Waco in McLennan County, the first case reported in this county. Three premises have been released in Travis County, five premises have been released in Bastrop County, and one premises in Williamson County has been released.

To date, 58 premises in 12 Texas counties have been confirmed with VS. Currently affected counties include: Bastrop, Falls, Guadalupe, McLennan, Travis, and Williamson counties. Of the 58 premises, 23 have been released. Six counties have been released from quarantine: Jim Wells, Kinney, Nueces, San Patricio, Val Verde and Hidalgo counties.



The newly identified infected premises are currently under quarantine by the TAHC. Affected horses will be monitored by regulatory veterinarians while under quarantine. Premises are eligible for quarantine release 21 days after all lesions have healed.

****Case= A premises; a location****

For **VS history and past updates** visit http://www.tahc.texas.gov/animal_health/equine/equine.html

Several states are imposing enhanced entry requirements on Texas livestock due to VS cases. For information, contact the state or country of destination and/or visit http://www.tahc.texas.gov/news/2014StateRestrictionsOnTX_VS.pdf.

For more information about VS, visit the TAHC's brochure at http://www.tahc.state.tx.us/news/brochures/TAHCBrochure_VS.pdf.

A USDA-APHIS VS fact sheet is available at http://www.aphis.usda.gov/publications/animal_health/content/printable_version/fs_vesicular_stomatitis_2012.pdf.

For current USDA-APHIS VS situation reports visit http://www.aphis.usda.gov/wps/portal/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth?1dmy&urle=wcm%3Apath%3a%2Faphis_content_library%2Fsa_our_focus%2Fsa_animal_health%2Fsa_animal_disease_information%2Fsa_equine_health%2Fsa_vesicular_stomatitis%2Fct_vesicular_stomatitis.